

CURRICULUM – LEARNING MEANS THE WORLD

Our new curriculum 'Learning Means the World' allows pupils to build knowledge, skills, attitudes and values, through well-planned and resourced cross-curricular theme units which fully cover the National Curriculum. The themes put important world issues like conservation, conflict, culture and communication at the heart of learning and pupils follow four learning pathways: In Upper Key Stage 2 we follow the **NAVIGATORS** pathway (Year 5 and Year 6, 9 – 11 years)

ENGLISH

Information report (leaflet):

Your child will be reading "The Promise" by Nicola Davies. They will be researching the benefits of green spaces in urban areas and writing an information report in the form of a leaflet.

Science Fiction short story:

Your child will be reading "The Star Beast" by Nicholas Stuart Gray. They will be learning about the use of descriptive vocabulary, sentence openers and how to effectively structure a narrative.

MATHS

Your child will be developing their understanding of:

- Place value: Reading, writing and comparing numbers.
- Rounding decimals to the nearest tenth and whole number
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

SCIENCE

This term, children learn about space. Starting with the Solar System, they look next at how ideas about space have changed over time, before finally exploring

what causes us to experience night and day on Earth.

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY

This term, children will use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Topic 1: Ourselves

Topic 2: Vocation and Commitment

Please see the termly R.E newsletter for more detail.

WEEKLY HOMEWORK

Your child will receive spellings on Monday which they will be tested on the following Friday. They will receive Maths homework on a Wednesday, which will be due in for the Friday and a writing/topic piece on Friday due in for the following Monday.

ONLINE LEARNING

Your child has access to Sum Dog and Bug Club at home to practise their maths and reading skills. Log on details can be obtained from class teachers. Children can

also use the school website which has a variety of links to online activities.

RELATIONSHIP AND HEALTH EDUCATION

Our first module is 'Created and Loved by God'. Your child will explore the individual. Rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, it helps children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.

COMPUTING

Your child will be developing their knowledge of using search technologies effectively, appreciating how results are selected and ranked, and being discerning in evaluating digital content.

MUSIC

Your child will find out about the concept of 'orbits' and relate it to cyclic patterns. They will experiment with cyclic patterns focusing on strong beats and improvise melodic cyclic patterns, and then try combining them with rhythmic cycles.

ART

Your child will demonstrate their knowledge of the Sun, the surface of the Moon and other planets through the use of painting techniques, including creating shades and tints.

P.E

Your child will take part in P.E lessons at school on Mondays and Wednesdays.

ITALIAN

Your child will continue developing their understanding of Italian phrasing, focusing on word games.